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Assignee: INTERTECHNIQUE

For: A DEMAND REGULATOR FOR A BREATHING SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, insert_-BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION- after the

title;

delete line 31 and insert:

__SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

It is an object of the invention to providef-